

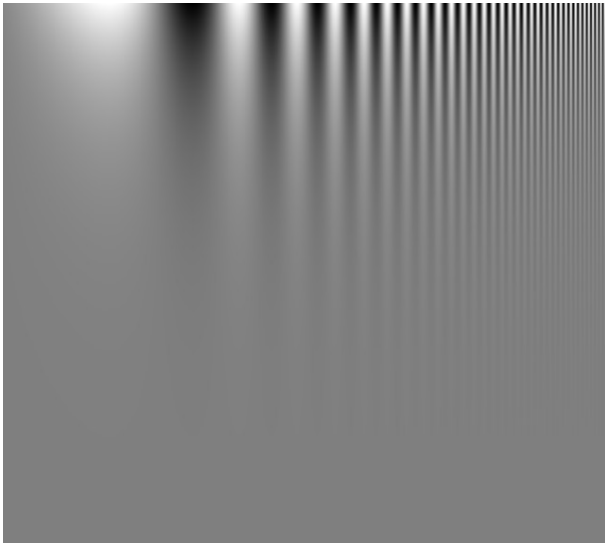
Static Imager Model Calibration

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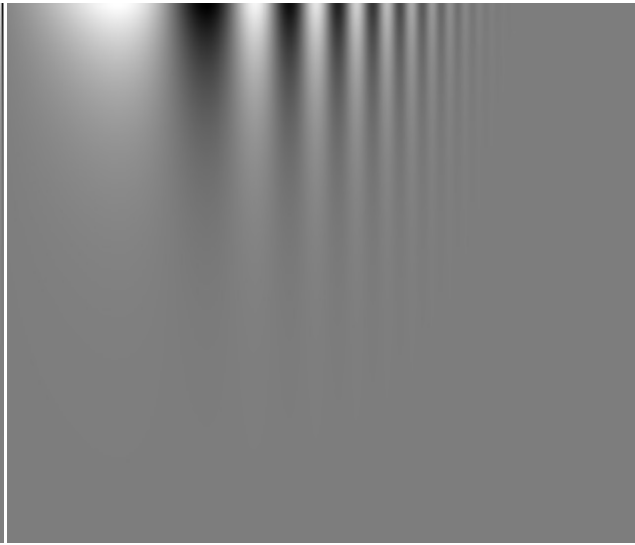
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Sensor Performance

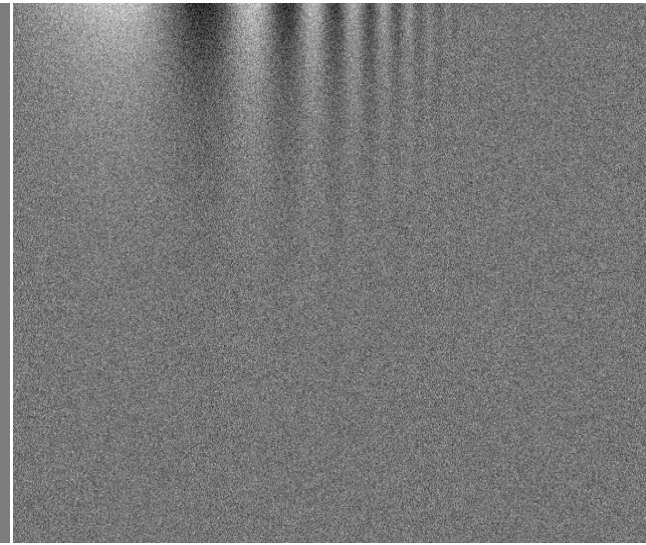
Eye



Eye + Blur



Eye + Blur + Noise



Probability of Task Performance

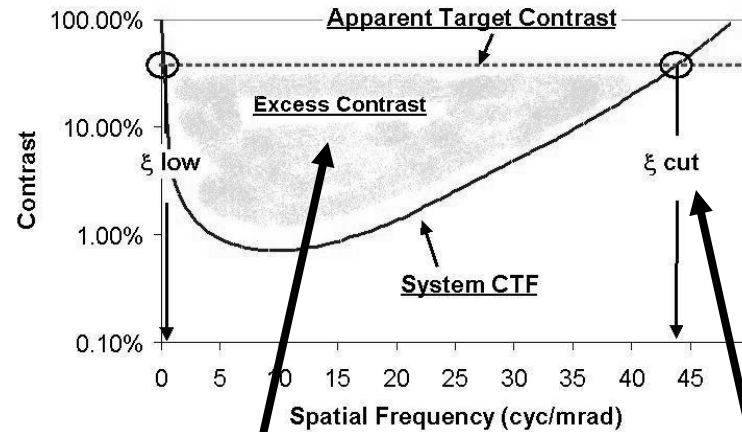
versus Range

Source Contrast:

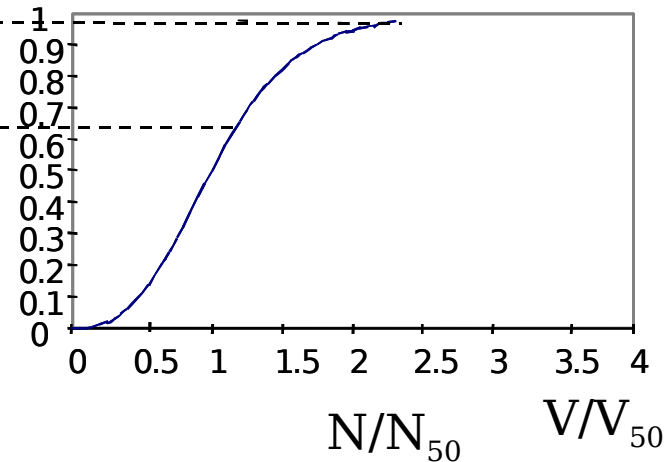
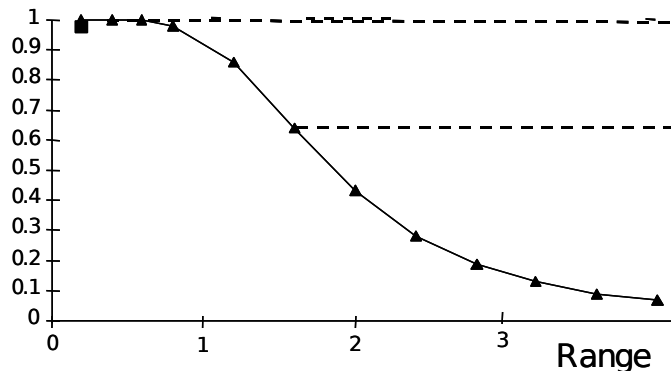
$$C_{tgt} = \frac{C_{src}}{A_{atm}} = \frac{C_{src}}{\sqrt{Area_{tgt}} \cdot \text{Atmospheric Transmission}}$$



Range to Sensor (R)



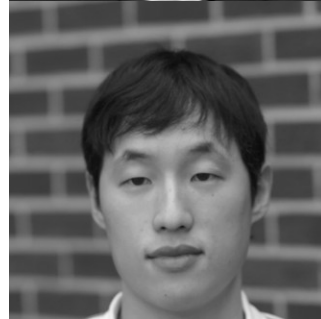
$$V = \int_{\xi_{low}}^{\xi_{cut}} \sqrt{\frac{C(\xi)}{CTF(\xi)}} d\xi \left[\frac{s}{R} \right] \quad \text{or} \quad N = \xi_{cut} \left[\frac{s}{R} \right]$$



Experimental Approach

- Define target set and collect imagery
- Perform target set calculations to characterize target dimension and contrast
- Prepare images for testing
- Perform perception experiment
 - N-alternative forced choice perception experiment done with human observers
 - All participants trained to a 95% identification level on pristine imagery prior to the experiment

Target Set



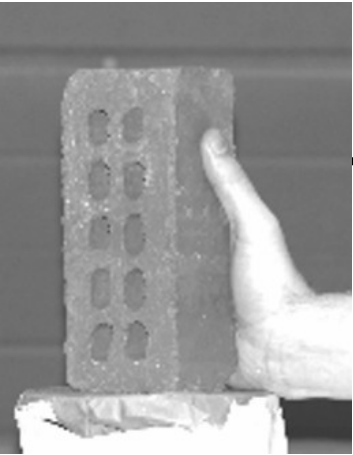
Target Characterization



- Perform target set calculations for:
 - target dimension
 - contrast

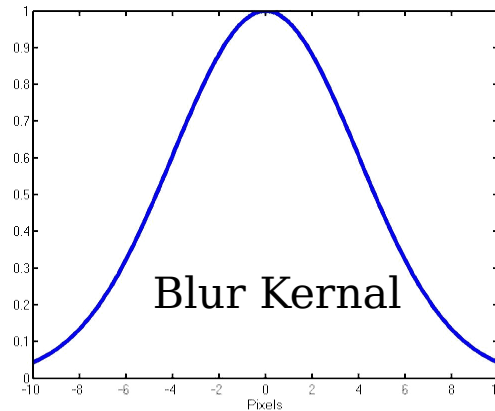
Image Pre-processing to Limit Number of Resolvable Cycles

Pristine Image



2-D
Convolution

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Test Image

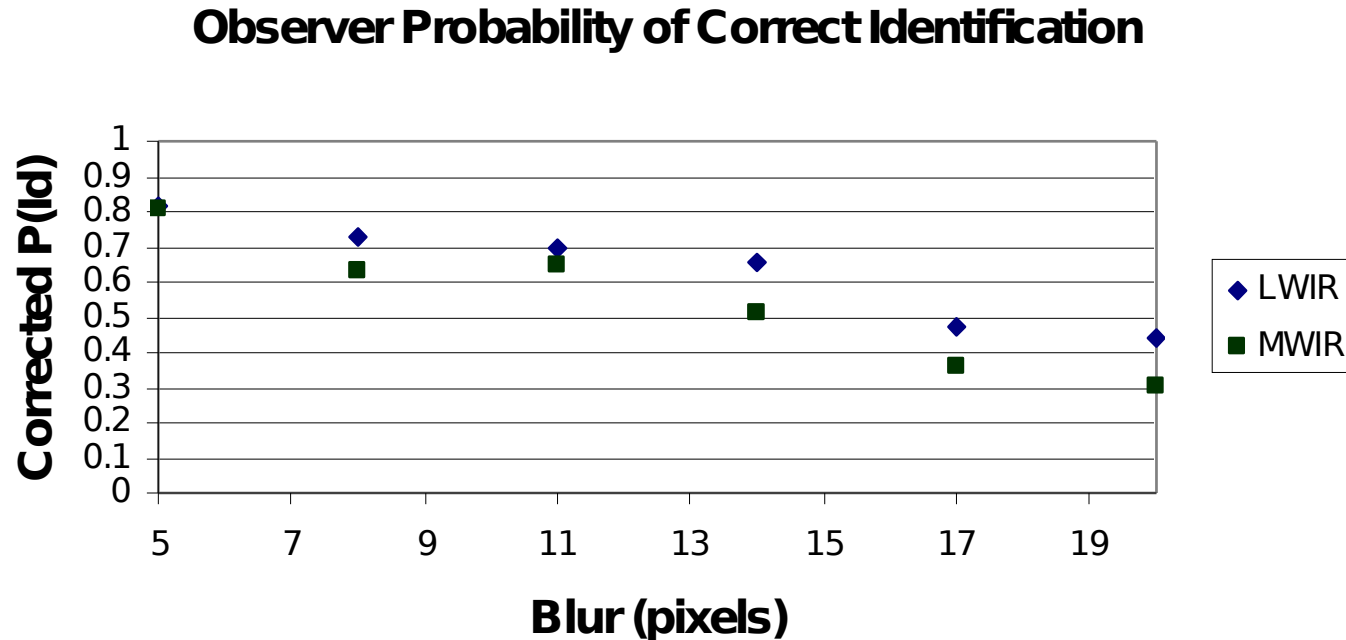


- Images blurred with varying width Gaussian kernels

$$Y = e^{-\pi \left(\frac{x}{blur} \right)^2}$$

Cell	A	B	C	D	E	F
Blur	5	8	11	14	17	20

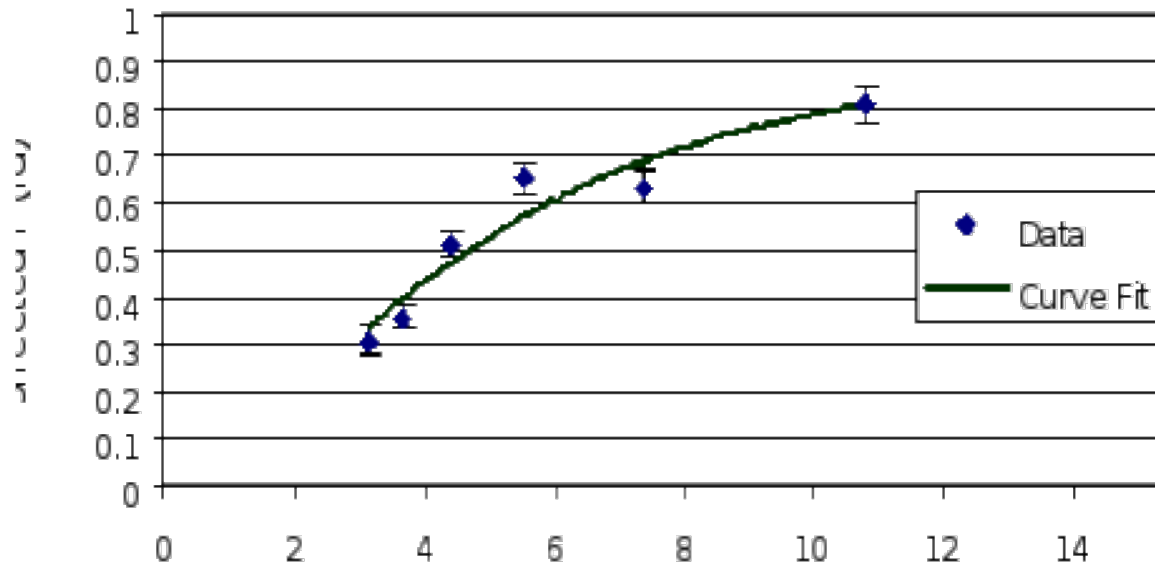
Experimental Results



- Conduct human perception experiments to correlate the number of resolvable cycles to the probability of identification

Resolvable Cycle Calculations

MWIR Spectrum Johnson... N50=4.70



- Calculate the number of resolvable cycles required to perform this task